

September 1, 2004

Dear Friend:

Those who care make the difference.

Our community is fortunate to have so many talented women and men who care about women's issues and worked toward one common goal: Women's equality.

Whether it's fair housing practices, discrimination issues, health care practices, food programs, pay equity advocacy or running shelters for battered women, hundreds of individuals have welcomed some of the toughest challenges our modern society had to offer.

For the past 28 years, we have honored these individuals for their outstanding work, time and commitment to improve the quality of life for women and children. We are asking you to take a few minutes and think of someone you might know that made a difference.

Enclosed are nomination materials to submit a candidate of your choice for consideration by the Lincoln-Lancaster Women's Commission for their 29<sup>th</sup> annual awards banquet, **Weaving Women's Voices**.

We ask you pay particular attention to the closing date and time of the nomination process. Deadline is noon on Friday, Nov. 12, 2004.

The awards luncheon is set for 11:30 a.m. on **Friday, March 11, 2005** at the Cornhusker Hotel, 333 S. 13<sup>th</sup> Street, Lincoln NE. We hope you can join us for this special occasion.

Please feel free to reproduce this nomination packet or call for additional materials.

Make the difference.

Sincerely,



Nancy Intermill  
President  
LLWC



Bonnie Coffey  
Director  
LLWC

The Alice Paul Award	
1977	Kappie Weber
1978	Gina Washburn
1979	Esther Hamon; Deceased
1980	Rose Meile; Deceased
1981	Lynn Roper
1982	Rosemary Machacek
1983	Ina May Rouse
1984	E. Shelton Burden
1985	Ada Munson
1986	Betty Peterson
1987	Judy Wesely; Deceased
1988	Christine Funk
1989	Donna Polk
1999	Kit Boesch
1991	Lois Hansen; Donna Karnes; Posthumous
1992	Beatty Brasch
1993	Lela Knox Shanks
1994	Jan Gauger
1995	Gail Linderholm
1996	Linda Knox
1997	Dr. Barbara DiBernard
1998	Sheryl Schrepf
1999	Susan Hale
2000	Susan Scott
2001	Melba Cope
2002	Kathy Campbell
2003	Dr. Gerise Herndon

The Young Feminist Award	
1998	Julie Thai
1999	Evamarie McDowell
2001	Ixchel Swinehart
2003	Natalie Roberts
2004	Sarah Mason

### ALICE PAUL AWARD

This award is presented to a woman whose life's work reflects her dedication to the struggle for women's equality. Alice Paul (1885-1977) was among the leaders in the suffrage movement. She spearheaded the final drive for passage of the 19th Amendment to the United States Constitution, which gave American women the right to vote in 1920. Paul is also the author of the Equal Rights Amendment, which failed ratification by one state. Paul worked more than five decades of her life on behalf of women's equality.



This award is presented to a woman who has worked for women's rights. Each year, the pendant of Paul's jail cell door and the torch of freedom is handed down from winner to winner.

### ★ YOUNG FEMINIST AWARD ★

Recognizing the need to provide more recognition for youth in our community, the Lincoln-Lancaster Women's Commission established the Young Feminist Award in 1998. The nominee can be either a young woman or man, and must be 18 years old or under.

## 29<sup>th</sup> Annual Awards Recognition Luncheon International Women's Day Celebration

# Weaving Women's Voices

## NOMINATION INSTRUCTIONS & FORMS

Nominees to be honored at  
**THE CORNHUSKER HOTEL**  
**Friday, March 11, 2005**  
**11:30 AM to 1 PM**

### Lincoln-Lancaster Women's Commission

440 S. 8<sup>th</sup> St., Ste. 100  
Lincoln NE 68508-2294  
PH 441-7716 FAX 441-6824  
llwc@ci.lincoln.ne.us

**Nomination Deadline - Noon on Friday, November 12, 2004**



# A tradition has begun ...

For the past 29 years, the Lincoln-Lancaster Women's Commission has been recognizing those individuals who are dedicated to improving the quality of life for women in the community.

These unsung champions oftentimes fail to see themselves as agents of change. Fortunately, their efforts are recognized by co-workers, colleagues, clients, friends and family. The Women's Commission publicly applauds those individual efforts by hosting an annual recognition in their honor. In celebration of International Women's Day, nationally observed on March 8<sup>th</sup> of each year, the LLWC awards program will be held on Friday, March 11, 2005, at the Cornhusker Hotel, 333 S. 13<sup>th</sup> St., Lincoln, NE.

Nomination forms must be completed and returned to the Lincoln-Lancaster Women's Commission's office no later than Noon on Friday, November 12, 2004.



Nominations can be mailed, delivered in person or faxed. Nominations received past the deadline will not be accepted for consideration.

The selection of four outstanding individuals will be made by the Commissioners of the Lincoln-Lancaster Women's Commission. Please feel free to duplicate this nomination packet and redistribute to individuals and agencies. When you are completing the nomination form(s), remember to refer to the "Nomination Information" guidelines.

## Information & Guidelines

1. Nominations and/or supporting documents will NOT be accepted after closing date and time. Nominations must be in LLWC office by noon on Friday, November 12, 2004.
2. Under no circumstances will any of the deadlines be extended during the process of gathering nominations and making selections of award winners.
3. The nomination form is a fact sheet used during the voting process, and for extracting summaries printed in speeches, news releases, and media packets distributed to print, radio, and television news teams.
4. Please choose your words carefully and accurately, double checking all statistics, titles, names, spellings, and accomplishments. What you write and how it's written will make a difference in the selection process.
5. Any section(s) left blank will disqualify the nominee. The maximum word limit for each answer is 200. Attach additional information on a separate sheet of paper.
6. Current nomination forms must be completed when nominating candidates from prior year. Nominations will remain with LLWC for one year. Nominations via e-mail are prohibited.
7. You may use a typewriter, word processor or city's web site to complete the nomination form, which are available to download from the Women's Commission web site. ([www.lincoln.ne.gov/city/mayor/women](http://www.lincoln.ne.gov/city/mayor/women)). Printing clearly is advised and/or retying the nomination form is acceptable.
8. LLWC staff WILL NOT write nor complete nomination forms on behalf of the nominator. Previous award winners and current LLWC Commissioners are not eligible for awards consideration.
9. You may attach newspaper clippings, letters of support, and additional information as needed. Supporting documents must be submitted by closing date and time.
10. Your nominee must reside in Lancaster County. Current LLWC Commissioners are not eligible for nomination for annual awards.
11. If you have questions about the nomination process, contact Diane Mullins, 441-7717, the public information specialist with LLWC.

## Award Categories

### ERASMUS CORRELL AWARD

The Erasmus Correll Award was established in 1994 to recognize Erasmus Michael Correll, publisher and editor of the "Western Women's Journal" in Lincoln, Nebraska in 1882. The publication enjoyed a national reputation for promoting the cause of woman suffrage. Correll was president of the American Woman's Suffrage Association and served in the Nebraska House of Representatives from 1850 to 1882. He introduced legislation to amend the state constitution to include woman suffrage. This award is presented to a man who has exhibited outstanding commitment through his individual leadership and community involvement to the issues affecting women and has encouraged and supported women in their pursuit of equal status and an enhanced quality of life.



### WOMAN ARTIST AWARD Written Word 2005

Aware of the need to provide more recognition for women in the arts, the Lincoln-Lancaster Women's Commission established the Woman Artist Award in 1986 to support the local arts. The award recipient receives a \$250 stipend. This award rotates among three categories: Visual Arts, Performing Arts and Written Word. For 2005, this award honors woman artists for the Written Word.

### Erasmus Correll Award

1995 .....	Randy Moody
1996 .....	Gary Lacy
1997 .....	Dr. Jim Lewis
1998 .....	Tom Casady
1999 .....	Brian Mathers
2000 .....	Rick Wallace
2001 .....	Topher Hansen
2002 .....	Thom Cope
2003 .....	Bob Moyer
2004 .....	Rev. Lauren Ekdahl

### Woman Artist Award

1987 .....	Olga Stefanek Visual Arts, deceased
1989 .....	Rebecca Van de Bogart Performing Arts
1990 .....	Judy Nelson, Written Word
1991 .....	C. M. Zub, Sceneography
1992 .....	Annette Murrell, Performing Arts
1993 .....	Margaret "Peg" Sheldrick, Written Word
1994 .....	Shelly Burge, Visual Arts
1995 .....	T. Marni Vos, Performing Arts
1996 .....	Hilda Raz, Written Word
1997 .....	Wendy Weiss, Visual Arts
1998 .....	Karen Libman, Performing Arts
1999 .....	Lela Knox Shanks, Written Word
2000 .....	Susan J. Lyness Brasch, Visual Arts
2001 .....	Joan Wells, Performing Arts
2002 .....	Dr. Mary Pipher, Written Word
2003 .....	Linda Marcy, Visual Arts
2004 .....	Judith K. Hart, Performing



# International Women's Day Nomination Form

# Weaving Women's Voices

Friday, March 11, 2005 ● 11:30 AM - 1 PM

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**Nomination Deadline: NOON Friday, November 12, 2004**

Please refer to the instruction sheet before completing this form, and print or type your responses.

## Alice Paul Award

The Alice Paul Award is presented to a woman who exhibits a strong, steadfast commitment to women's rights. This award is presented to a woman whose life's work reflects her dedication to the struggle for equality. Please provide specific examples that describe how your nominee promotes a feminist perspective via leadership, community involvement and as a role model to others. **Describe your nominee in 200 words or less for each section.**

1. Describe how this woman serves as a role model, and provides emotional or spiritual support to other women in the community.

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2. Give specific examples of how this woman demonstrates a willingness to help, direct, guide, encourage and teach others about women's issues.

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3. Describe how this woman has and continues to promote a feminist perspective through leadership and community involvement that leaves a positive impact on women in our community.

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4. Give examples of contributions, volunteer commitments, time and expertise aimed at improving the status, enhancing the quality of life, and meeting the needs of women in Lincoln and Lancaster County.

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5. Why do you feel this person makes a good candidate for this award?

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### Erasmus Correll Award

This award is presented to a man who has exhibited outstanding commitment through his individual leadership and community involvement on issues affecting women. The nominee has also encouraged and supported women in their pursuit of equal status and enhanced their quality of life through some action. Please provide specific examples that describe how your nominee promoted a feminist perspective via leadership, community involvement, and worked as a mentor to others. **Describe your nominee in 200 words or less for each section.**

1. Describe how this individual demonstrated a willingness to help, direct, guide, encourage or teach others about women's issues.

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2. Give specific examples of how this person has served as a role model, provided emotional or spiritual support that made a substantial and positive impact on others or an agency involved with women's issues.

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3. Give specific examples of this person's dedication, commitment or dependability in pursuing women's causes.

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4. Give specific examples of how this person has contributed or volunteered time and expertise to the community through activities aimed at improving the status, enhancing the quality of life and meeting the needs of women in Lincoln and Lancaster County.

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### Woman Artist Award - Written Word

Recognizing the need to provide more recognition for women in the arts, the Lincoln-Lancaster Women's Commission established the Woman Artist Award in 1986. This recipient will receive a \$250 stipend. For 2005, the award will feature **the Written Word**. Photographs and similar samples of the artist's work may be submitted, if available. **Describe your nominee in 200 words or less for each section.**

1. Describe how this artist established a reputation in her art form, or impacted others through her skills of artistic form and communication.

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2. Describe how this artist demonstrated professionalism as reflected in her commitment to and seriousness about her work.

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3. Give specific examples of how this artist practiced her art in Lancaster County over a two year period.

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4. Cite specific recognitions this artist has received for her work locally, nationally and internationally.

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5. Why do you feel this person makes a good candidate for this award?

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### Young Feminist Award

Established in 1998, the LLWC Young Feminist Award is given to a young woman (or young man), who through actions or by example, attempts to enhance the quality of life for girls or women in Lincoln or Lancaster County. Consideration is given to such things as: Efforts in school, home, place of worship or community to raise awareness of, or lower, the social, economic and legal barriers that exist for girls or women; Participation in volunteer efforts or community involvement activities that attempt to meet the needs of girls or women; "The diversity of lives of girls and women" and activities that support advocacy of the personal or public rights of women. Nominee must be 18 or under as of December 15, 2003. **Describe your nominee in 200 words or less for each section.**

1. Describe how this individual serves as a role model, acts as a mentor to peer groups or promotes a feminist perspective.

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2. Give specific examples of this individual's willingness to teach others about women's issues and a personal commitment to enhancing the quality of life for young women in school, home, church or community.

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3. Describe this young person's volunteer roles and community involvement aimed at improving the status, enhancing the quality of life and meeting the needs of women in Lincoln and Lancaster County.

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4. Cite examples of significant changes or impact this individual has made relevant to women's issues.

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5. Why do you feel this young person makes a good candidate for this award?

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